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SUBJECT: NDP ATTACKS THE GOVERNMENT

- 1. ACTING ON A RECOMMENDATION BY ITS EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES COMMITTED FOLLOWING INTERPELLATIONS ON THE KIM TAE-CHUNG CASE, THE NDP NOVEMBER 7 INTRODUCED A MOTION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CALLING FOR THE RESIGNATION OF THE ENTIRE CABINET. THE NDP HAS DECLARED THAT IT WILL BOYCOTT THE STANDING COMMITTEE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS UNTIL THIS MOTION IS CONSIDERED.
- 2. LACKING THE REQUIRED SEVENTY-THREE VOTES (ONE THIRD) FOR PROPOSING A NO-CONDIDENCE MOTION, THE NDP HAS INTRODUCED THEIR RESOLUTION AS A REGULAR BILL. SPEAKER CHONG IL-KWON HAS REFERED THE "BILL" TO THE LEGISLATION AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE ITS LEGALITY. THE GOVERNMENT PARTIES HAVE STATED THAT, SINCE THE OPPOSITION LACKS THE REQUIRED 73 VOTES, THE MOTION IS NOT LEGAL AND CANNOT BE CONSIDERED IN THE ASSEMBLY.
- 3. NOVEMBER 7 RADIO REPORTS THAT THE LEGISLATION AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE HAS RECESSED FOR INFORMAL NDP-DRP NEGOTIATIONS FOLLOWING PRESENTATION OF NDP LEGAL ARGUMENTS ON THEIR MOTION. PRESS REPORTS DRP FLOOR LEADER'S STATEMENT THAT BUDGET DELIBERATIONS WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR A FEW DAYS "COOLING OFF PERIOD" TO AVOID CONFRONTATION WITH OPPOSITION.

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4. IN RELATED ACTION, NDP SPOKESMAN CHAE MUN-SHIK ANNOUNCED

NOVEMBER 7 THAT ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM YU CHIN-SAN THE PARTY IS ORGANIZING A MASS INDOOR RALLY TO BE HELD BEFORE NOVEMBER 15. THE PURPOSE OF THE RALLY IS TO INFORM THE PEOPLE OF THE PARTY POSITION ON THE KIM TAE-CHUNG CASE AND ON PENDING NDP PROPOSED LESLATION. HABIB

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